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INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Dear Sir:

Applicants thank Examiner Morgan and Examiner Thomas for their participation in a telephonic interview with Applicants' representatives, Tait R. Swanson and Lee Eubanks, on August 2, 2005. In this interview, the independent claims of the present patent application and the Crane, Powers et al., and Wong et al. references were generally discussed. Particularly, during the interview, Applicants' representative noted the impropriety of combining the Crane, Powers et al., and Wong et al. references to reach the pending claims, as none of these references provide client data that can be analyzed to determine efficiency of a medical system modality. While the Examiners were courteous in articulating their alternative positions, no agreement was reached with respect to either the teachings of the prior art or the claims of the present application.

Applicants respectfully submit that all pending claims should be in condition for allowance. However, if the Examiner believes certain amendments are necessary to clarify the present claims or if the Examiner wishes to resolve any other issues by way of a telephone conference, the Examiner is kindly invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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